

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the Bankruptcy Reform Act Conference Report.

The House and Senate passed H.J. Res. 127, making further continuing appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S11663–S11746

Measures Introduced: One bill and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3275, and S. Res. 385–386. **Page S11739**

Measures Passed:

Home Ownership Expansion Act: Senate passed H.R. 5640, to expand home ownership in the United States, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S11680–81**

Continuing Resolution: By 96 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 298), Senate passed H.J. Res. 127, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S11730–31**

Shark Finning Prohibition Act: Senate passed H.R. 5461, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to eliminate the wasteful and unsportsmanlike practice of shark finning, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S11744–45**

Congratulating Rev. Clay Evans: Senate agreed to S. Res. 385, congratulating the Reverend Clay Evans of Chicago, Illinois, on the occasion of his retirement. **Page S11745**

National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 386, expressing sense of the Senate regarding National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. **Pages S11745–46**

Bankruptcy Reform Act Conference Report: By 70 yeas to 28 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 297), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2415, to enhance security of United States missions and personnel overseas, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2000. (On October 11, 2000, the H.R. 2415 conference com-

mittee struck all of the House bill after the enacting clause and inserted the provisions of S. 3186, the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 2000), clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S11683–S11730**

National Forest Boundary Adjustment: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 439, to amend the National Forest and Public Lands of Nevada Enhancement Act of 1988 to adjust the boundary of the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada, and to amend chapter 55 of title 5, United States Code, to authorize equal overtime pay provisions for all Federal employees engaged in wildland fire suppression operations, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S11741**

Hawaii Water Resources Reclamation Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 1694, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the reclamation and reuse of water and wastewater in the State of Hawaii, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S11741–44**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate discharged Committee on Foreign Relations and confirmed the following nomination:

Richard N. Gardner, of New York, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-fifth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. **Pages S11739, S11746**

Messages From the House: **Page S11738**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—298) **Pages S11730, S11731**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:59 a.m. and recessed at 5:24 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, December 8, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11746.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 5644–5646; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 128–131, and H. Con. Res. 445, were introduced. **Page H12045**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 669, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 128, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 (H. Rept. 106–1025); and

H. Res. 670, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 129, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 (H. Rept. 106–1026). **Page H12045**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Thornberry to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H12023**

Making Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 127, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 by a ye and nay vote of 359 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 601. The joint resolution was considered pursuant to the order of the House of Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2000. **Pages H12023–28**

Paul Coverdell National Forensic Sciences Improvement Act: The House passed S. 3045, to improve the quality, timeliness, and credibility of forensic science services for criminal justice purposes—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H12028–31**

DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4640, to make grants to States for carrying out DNA analyses for use in the Combined DNA Index System of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to provide for the collection and analysis of DNA samples from certain violent and sexual offenders for use in such system—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H12031–32**

Jeanna's Act: The House passed S. 1898, to provide protection against the risks to the public that are in-

herent in the interstate transportation of violent prisoners—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H12032–33**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:02 p.m. and reconvened at 7:20 p.m. **Page H12043**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H12023 and H12043.

Referral: S. 1066 was referred to the Committees on Agriculture and Science. **Page H12044**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page H12028. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Committee Meetings

OVERSIGHT—HOUSTON NARCOTICS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Government Reform: Concluded oversight hearings entitled "Oversight of the Drug Enforcement Administration: Were Criminal Investigations Swayed by Political Considerations?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the DEA, Department of Justice: Donnie Marshall, Administrator; Ernest L. Howard, Special Agent in Charge, Houston Field Office; Julio Mercado, Deputy Administrator; R.C. Gamble, Chief Inspector; and Jack Schumacher, Houston Field Office; and the following officials of the Police Department, Houston, Texas: Bill Stephens; Larry Jean Allen; and Ralph G. Chaison.

MAKING FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H.J. Res. 128, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, providing one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration